

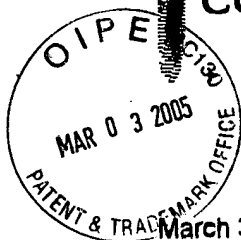
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March 3, 2005

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VIA FACSIMILE: 703-308-6778

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request the attached fees for Extension of Time for Serial 09/101,846 be deducted from our account. The Transmittal Form was originally faxed to your office on March 11, 2004.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at 302-622-9039. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kari L. Johnson".

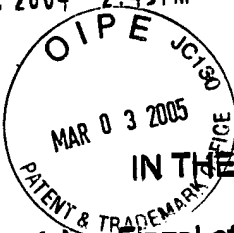
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P-981197

Applicant(s): Finzel et al.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PETITION & FEE FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME**

Group Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: Lavarias, Amel C.

Serial No.: 09/101,846  
 Filed: July 17, 1998  
 For: CABLE JOINT FOR OPTICAL FIBERS  
 WITH SPLICING CASSETTES AND  
 OVERLENGTH LOOPS

Commissioner for Patents  
 PO Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION & FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant(s) petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment mailed January 16, 2004 for 1 month(s) from February 16, 2004 to March 16, 2004.

CCS Technology, Inc. hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response within first month  | \$110.00   |
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together with such additional fee as may be required for this communication, to the account of CCS Technology, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-0425. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: March 11, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being forwarded to the Commissioner for Patents via facsimile transmission on the date indicated.

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